

- FRRS Membership -

<i>Yearly Dues</i>		<i>Single Life Membership</i>		<i>Family Life Membership</i>	
Associate	\$20.00	Birth-17 years of age	\$1200.00	Birth-17 years of age	\$1800.00
Active	\$40.00	Age 18-39	\$900.00	Age 18-39	\$1350.00
Family	\$60.00	Age 40-61	\$600.00	Age 40-61	\$900.00
Sustaining	\$100.00	Age 62 and above	\$300.00	Age 62 and above	\$450.00

These are the dues for the duration of one year, with Life and Family Life being a one-time payment. Five year payment plans are available for life memberships.

Associate memberships do not have a vote, receive The Train Sheet but not the Headlight and are for one person only.

Active memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have voting rights and are for one person only.

Family memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have one vote and include all members of ones immediate family.

Sustaining memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, are for a maximum of two persons with one vote each.

Life memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, have voting rights and are for one person only for life.

Family Life memberships receive both The Train Sheet and the Headlight, are for a maximum of two people and have two votes (one per member) for life.

Send all applications, renewals and address changes to:

**Feather River Rail Society
Membership Dept.
P.O. Box 608
Portola, CA 96122-0608**

Address changes may also be sent to memberships@wplives.com

A Message From the FRRS President

By Rod McClure

April has been a very busy month. Gail and I, attended our first WPRRHS Convention in Oakland and we were very impressed! I was happy to see most of the Board of Directors there to enjoy and support the Historical Society also. Gail McClure and Frank Brehm manned the FRRS gift shop tables and Steve Habeck and Hank Stiles helped out setting up and packing up the merchandise before and after the show. There were great shows and clinics with Ernie Von Ebisch's presentation on his memories of the California Zephyr being one of the most popular along with Virgil Staff's movie on the East End of the WP. A special event was having 2 former California Zephyr cars open for the attendees to tour on Friday and Saturday. Of course Sunday, Chris Skow put on the "Domes Down the Valley" excursion with these cars which was a sold out event and from what I have heard was a Excellent adventure!!! I want to thank Barbara Holmes and Vic Neves for there outstanding work putting this Convention together. Thanks to Steve Hayes for all of his behind the scenes work and the raffle. Of course I can't forget to thank Thom Anderson as he is the Department Head for the Historical Society. Special thanks goes to Chris Skow of Trains Unlimited Tours for his work to make the "Domes Down the Valley" a great success. I am looking forward to next years convention in Reno. Try to attend as I think it will have some real special events in store.

Magnolia Tower is now being dismantled into pieces for its trip to Portola! At the convention, Director Eugene Vicknair announced that Amtrak and Keiwit Contractors had reached an agreement and have begun the process of dismantling and remediation of the Tower with no cost to the FRRS. Director Vicknair,

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Doug Morgan and Vic Neves have been working with both parties for sometime and spent a lot of time making this happen. It is through their hard work that we are not going to have to pay any money to move the tower. As a side note to this, the Interlocking Machine is still there and complete and will be moved separately to prevent damage to it. The Union Pacific has graciously provided us with a gondola to put the tower in and move it to Portola free of charge. On behalf of the FRRS, I want to thank Messrs Vicknair, Morgan, and Neves for all their hard work and the Union Pacific for once again providing us with a car. Hopefully without any further or unexpected delays, the Tower (some assembly required) will arrive in Portola in the month of May. This will bring to a close a long and sometimes frustrating project on one hand but will signal the start of another which will require many volunteers help in a short amount of time. Once the Maggie is in Portola, we MUST put it back together as soon as possible. We can NOT leave it in pieces as it will begin to deteriorate quickly and will be nothing more than firewood. PLEASE, if you can, try and volunteer some time this Summer towards putting the Tower back together. Contact Eugene Vicknair to see what the schedule it going to be.

The Operating Department is going to be up and running by the time you get this. If you are interested in helping out with this vital part of the Museum please get in contact with Superintendent of Operations, Kerry Cochran so he can get you involved. The RAL program is also up and running. We are looking for some new help in the RAL program, if you are interested in becoming a RAL instructor let Superintendent Cochran know and he will give you the information. That's it for this issue, I hope to see you soon at the Museum!

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